

Homework Beliefs

- Homework is reinforcement at home– not learning new concepts
- Homework may be catching up on incomplete work through the day
- Based (loosely) on a max of 10min per grade level—max 30min/night
- Weekly homework for some, others nightly
- No homework on weekends
- For parents– If frustration occurs, stop with what has been done and write a note to the teacher
- Reading every night is a common expectation for all.



Rationale

In this fast paced world where parents are working and children are involved in a variety of different activities outside of school, huge demands are being placed upon the family unit resulting in less and less time being spent together. We understand that homework is an important aspect of your child's education and we understand the importance of the precious time spent together as a family. Our homework policy, with its flexibility, will help to increase family time and give parents and students time to learn, play and grow together.

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Homework Policy



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Homework Is...

- Communication between home & school
- Monitors students' ability, struggles and progress
- Review of previously learned material
- Meaningful & practical
- Direct connection between school instruction & homework
- Reinforce student learning & understanding
- Builds routines, responsibility, time management skills
- Teaches students how to approach the various skills of learning

Homework Should....

- Include nightly reading
- Include practice of previously taught math concepts
- Included a Language Arts component
- Be adjusted to suit the individual student
- Be reduced when projects are assigned

Homework Should Not Be...

- A means to teach something new
- A form of punishment
- Solely fill in the blanks
- An assessment tool
- Assigned over holidays and weekends

Kindergarten Homework

- Monthly homework calendar outlining skills & concepts being covered
- Family activities including reading, poetry, math & printing
- Reading club

Grade 1 & 2 Homework

- Daily reading & math assignments
- Occasional projects
- Homework to be signed and passed in daily

Grades 3 & 4 English and FI

Grade 5 FI Homework

- Nightly reading
- Homework to be assigned on the first day of the week and due on the last day
- Students are encouraged to pass in their work as soon as it is completed

Grade 5 English Prime

- Suggested nightly reading in English 15-20 minutes
- Math assignments in English 15-20 minutes
- Majority of the French projects, writing, reading and assignments will be completed in the class
- Simple read aloud French texts

Teacher's Role

- Inform & model expectations
- Provide strategies
- Check for completion & understanding
- Monitor incomplete assignments & make home contact
- Determine time spent on homework
- Ensure a healthy of homework when there is more than one teacher assigning homework

Parent's Role

- Review & practice concepts
- Help children with corrections & help them learn from their mistakes
- Apply learning to everyday situations
- Communicate with the teacher

Student's Role

- Complete homework assignments on time
- Cooperate with parents & teachers
- Communicate clearly when experiencing difficulties
- Show pride in the quality of work